



STATE OF WASHINGTON  
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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November 15, 2013

Kirk and Laura Cresto  
PO Box 653  
South Cle Elum, WA 98943-0653

Re: Determination of Water Budget Neutrality for Request No. G4-35638

Dear Kirk and Laura Cresto:

Thank you for submitting a Request for Determination of Water Budget Neutrality, which was received by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) office on July 19, 2013.

In accordance with Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-539A, Ecology has determined your proposed appropriation of groundwater, as mitigated by the trust water right identified in your request, will be water budget neutral with respect to Total Water Supply Available at Parker (TWSAP).

The information in the table below was based on the documents you provided.

**Proposed Uses and Mitigation Offered**

Use	Proposed Total Annual Quantity (ac-ft/yr*)	Proposed Mitigation (ac-ft/yr*)
Indoor	1.176	0.353
Outdoor	0.065	0.058
Total	1.241	0.411

\*ac-ft/yr = acre-feet per year (1 acre-foot = 325,851 gallons)

Consumptive use, totaling 0.411 ac-ft/yr, is proposed to be offset with Trust Water Right No. CS4-01467@11sb3a(A). The total consumptive use does not exceed the amount of water available under the subject trust water right during the irrigation season nor does it exceed the availability of unused storage capacity to retain the subject portion of the trust water right for later release during the non-irrigation season. Please refer to the enclosed Advisory Letter for additional information on consumptive use.

Ecology has determined, based on review of your Request for Water Budget Neutral Determination and the accompanying materials, your proposed use of groundwater will be Water Budget Neutral as follows:

1. Water use is to be made within Parcel No. 300334, located within N½NW¼ of Section 20, T. 20 N., R. 14 E.W.M.
2. In-home water use is 3 connection(s), resulting in a consumptive use of 0.353 ac-ft/yr.
3. Outdoor irrigation use is 0.033 acres, resulting in a consumptive use of 0.058 ac-ft/yr.



4. The proposed well(s) will be located in Parcel 300334, within N½NW¼ of Section 20, T. 20 N., R. 14 E.W.M.
5. Water use shall be recorded and reported as required under WAC 173-539A-070 and as described in the *Advisory Letter* enclosure.
6. You will record with the Kittitas County Auditor a property covenant as required under WAC 173-539A-050 that restricts or prohibits trees or shrubs over a septic drain field on Parcel No. 300334.
7. You will record with the Kittitas County Auditor an appropriate conveyance instrument under which the applicant obtains an interest in Trust Water Right No. CS4-01467@11sb3a(A) to offset consumptive use as described in this letter.
8. You will pay to Ecology the sum of \$155.23 which represents a proportionate amount of the payment due and owing to the United States for storage and delivery of water under Paragraph 15(a) of Water Storage and Exchange Contract No. 09XX101700, between the Bureau of Reclamation and the State of Washington Department of Ecology, Yakima Project, Washington, dated January 29, 2009<sup>1</sup>. The consumptive use of 0.196 acre-feet from September 16 through March 31 is subject to the terms and conditions in the Water Storage and Exchange Contract No. 09XX101700.
9. Any valid priority calls against Trust Water Right No. CS4-01467@11sb3a(A), based on local limitations in water availability, will result in temporary curtailment of the use of water until the priority call for water ends.

### **YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL**

You have a right to appeal this decision to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal you must do the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision:

- File your appeal and a copy of this decision with the PCHB (see addresses below). Filing means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours.
- Serve a copy of your appeal and this decision on Ecology in paper form - by mail or in person. (See addresses below.) E-mail is not accepted.

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

<sup>1</sup> Water Storage and Exchange Contract No. 09XX101700 between the Bureau of Reclamation and the State of Washington Department of Ecology.




**ADDRESS AND LOCATION INFORMATION**

Street Addresses	Mailing Addresses
<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey WA 98503	<b>Department of Ecology</b> Attn: Appeals Processing Desk PO Box 47608 Olympia WA 98504-7608
<b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> 1111 Israel Road SW, Ste 301 Tumwater WA 98501	<b>Pollution Control Hearings Board</b> PO Box 40903 Olympia WA 98504-0903

*For additional information visit the Environmental Hearings Office Website: <http://www.eho.wa.gov>  
To find laws and agency rules visit the Washington State Legislature Website: <http://www.leg.wa.gov/CodeReviser>*

If you have any questions, please contact Teresa Mitchell at (509) 575-2597.

Sincerely,



Mark Kemner, LHG, Section Manager  
Water Resources Program

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Enclosures: Your Right To Be Heard  
Advisory Letter  
Water Measuring Requirements & Form 1

By Certified Mail: 7010 0290 0000 7126 5084

cc: Holly Duncan, Kittitas County Public Health Department (email pdf)  
Kathleen Masterson, Masterson Ranch Water Bank (email pdf)  
Jason McCormick, Washington Water Trust  
Philip Rigdon, Director, Natural Resources Division, Yakama Nation